

The farmers' picnic held at Red Willow lake last Friday was a success, in spite of the threatening weather in the morning and the rain in the afternoon. Of course, the attendance was not as large as it would have been had the weather conditions been more favorable. The Binford band was on hand early and rendered many selections during the course of the program which were enjoyed and heartily applauded. The ball game between the Blue Sox and Stars was not pulled off on account of the wet condition of the grounds. At one o'clock Mr. Flint delivered an address on dairying. Mr. Flint is an able speaker, and has a thorough knowledge of this subject. He has devoted many years of his life to the dairy industry both in this state and Minnesota, and his position as dairy commissioner has made it possible for him to study the conditions and needs over the entire state. He gave out many interesting points showing the profit in the stock and dairying business and convinced his hearers that those branches must be taken up in order to make farming a success. The next speaker was Pres. Worst, of the North Dakota Agricultural College. His theme was general farming. He pictured how home life on the farm could be made more pleasant, how the wife could be relieved of a lot of the present day drudgery, how things could be arranged to make it an incentive for the boys to remain on the farm. It was a masterful address. The day's program was ended here owing to the heavy rain. Prof. Macdonald and Congressman Young, who were to have spoken, arrived on the train, but did not go to the lake, Mr. Macdonald having a date elsewhere which he could not fill unless he was driven across to the Soo, and, this was out of the question. Everything considered, the day was a success, and the Binford Farmers' club should be commended for their efforts in fostering better farming methods in this community.